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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: HERTINGER

In re Application of:)
KLAUS HERTINGER)
Appl. No.: 10/783,964)
Filed: February 20, 2004)
For: PROGREAMMING PLATFORM FOR GENERATING PARTS PROGRAMS FOR MACHINE TOOLS OR PRODUCTION MACHINES) Group Art Unit: 2125

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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SIR:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) and B) which were cited in an office action issued by the German Patent Office with regard to the corresponding German patent application No. 103 07 261.6. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A) Germany	DE 199 00 117 A1	Dilger et al.	07-06-2000
B) Germany	DE 101 14 811 A1	Meyer et al.	10-10-2002

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed within three months of the filing date of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 1.53(d), so that no fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 is due.

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- [] The undersigned submits the following statement requesting consideration of this statement:

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In order to satisfy the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance of each item of information, applicant notes with respect to any information that is not in English language as follows:

Reference A) describes a virtual teach-in module for programming grinding machines or other kinds of machine tools including a graphic user surface which includes the visual display of blanks, workpieces and tools. The elements can be displaced arbitrarily relative to one another by means of suitable operator elements. The resultant displacements are recorded by the virtual teach-in module and converted into a machine control program, or an existing machine control program is varied based on the displacements

Reference B) describes a system which stores desired machining paths relative to the desired geometry of the workpiece (2-4) concerned in a data module (17). At each time during the machining the current path data and/or the deviation from the original desired machining path are determined while taking into account the material removed during machining of the workpiece.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art. Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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